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Monthly Report -- Key West Bureau

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MEMORANDUM TO: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service
THROUGH: Chief, Operations Group
SUBJECT: Monthly Report--Key West Bureau--January 1988

I. GENERAL

The bureau welcomed FBIS Director Robert Manners on the 18th when he visited Key West for three days on the first stop of a multi-bureau TDY.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. [redacted] opened the bureau specially on Sunday, the 17th, for the latest round of the presidential elections in Haiti. Our contractor [redacted] who was brought into the embassy in a bullet-proof car along with other "essential personnel," provided a variety of up-to-the-minute election results which we filed throughout the day. STAT

2. Sports-crazy Cuba surprised a few bureau baseball and boxing fans by announcing solidarity with North Korea and boycotting the summer Olympic Games in Seoul. A Radio Rebelde commentary on the 18th laid it on heavy when it claimed Cuba's athletes fully supported the decision and were putting their principles above everything else. Bureau diehards still believe there will be a last-minute change of mind. STAT

3. Bureau editors scrambled on the 20th to try to help backstop Panama when it suffered a complete outage. Although the outage drove home the fact that we are currently unable to do much on a short-term basis because of staffing problems, we did stay tuned to Salvadoran and Nicaraguan radio stations for any priority material.

4. Other major events for the month included media coverage of Fidel meeting with Daniel Ortega, who stopped off at the Havana airport en route to Europe. Cuba also gave considerable radio and TV coverage to the AIDS problem, publicly acknowledging at least 21 confirmed cases and 6 deaths to date.

B. Communications

With the installation of BACH 2.0 late last month, we revamped our somewhat cumbersome bureau lateral servicing. Our new

system was simplified by keying the packages to the sources and giving them mnemonic names. The contents were also checked to ensure they were up to date. Also, a few discrepancies were detected and dealt with.

C. Lateral Services

Major General Milligan, commanding officer of the U.S. Forces Caribbean and our next-door neighbor here on [redacted] thanked us and Panama in writing for all our support to the U.S. Navy task force that was poised off Haiti this month in the event U.S. citizens had to be evacuated. The general, along with a large contingent of his people, spent over a week aboard the flag ship USS Whitney, where our traffic was read with extra attention, since a glitch prevented almost all embassy political and military traffic from going to the ship.

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III. ADMINISTRATION

Personnel

1. At the initiative of and active help of Bob Manners, bureau engineer [redacted] was TDYed to the Miami area this month to be with his wife Sonia, who is recovering from a kidney transplant as well as another separate major operation. On the brighter side, we were happy to pass along a well-deserved QSI to Wolf for his sustained superior service.

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2. Our lady in Port-au-Prince, [redacted], was surprised when Bob Manners typed out over our modem computer to her that he had just approved a \$1,000 cash award for her excellent coverage of events in Haiti following the first presidential elections in late November. Maria was relieved when the anonymous benefactor identified himself at the end of the "chat-mode" note, since she suspected we were pulling her leg.

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nice touch!

3. The bureau was disappointed late in the month to find out that [redacted] who was supposed to EOD on 1 February as a monitor/editor, had taken another job at the last minute. Fortunately, we were able to get [redacted], our fall-back candidate back into processing, just as he was about to accept a commission in the Navy.

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4. [redacted] from Panama joined us on the 13th for a 6-week TDY to keep our communications section going. She relieved her colleague [redacted] who returned to Chiva Chiva with husband Antonio. Meanwhile, we interviewed several more candidates this month for our vacant teletypist position.

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IV. VISITS

To the bureau:

1. Cdr Perry M. Ratliff, incoming USCINCLANT Director of Current Intelligence, 13 January.
2. Robert Manners, Director/FBIS, 18-20 January.
3. Navy Captain David McMunn, Director of Fleet Intelligence, CINCLANTFLT, 27 January.
4. [REDACTED], recent FBIS retiree, and wife Joan en route to San Diego, 30 January.

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V. COMMUNITY EVENTS

We are watching political developments closely to see if there is any truth to the growing belief (at least in the syndicated comics) that "As Key West goes, so goes the country."

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BY JEFF MacNELLY



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[REDACTED]
Chief, Key West Bureau

Attachment: Production Report

KEY WEST BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR JANUARY 1988

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH: 186,200

TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH : 34,560

TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH : 604

	BROADCAST	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLICATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:	2,575	14,700	21
(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER WEEK	MIN	MIN	ISSUES
III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:			
(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)			

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Nassau Domestic Service in English	<u>-0-</u>		
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Nassau THE TRIBUNE in English			<u>-0-</u>
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BARBADOS

Bridgetown CANA in English		<u>34,110</u>	
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Bridgetown ADVOCATE in English			<u>-0-</u>
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Bridgetown SUNDAY ADVOCATE in English			<u>-0-</u>
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BELIZE

Belize City Domestic Service in English or Spanish	<u>-0-</u>		
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Belize Times in English			<u>-0-</u>
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CUBA

Havana Radio Progreso Network in Spanish	<u>4,880</u>		
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Havana Radio Reloj Network in Spanish	<u>15,580</u>		
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Havana Radio Rebelde Network in Spanish	<u>2,120</u>		
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Havana Radio Periodico Del Aire in Spanish	<u>-0-</u>		
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CUBA

Havana Domestic Service in Spanish	<u>10,900</u>
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Havana Tele-Rebelde Network in Spanish	<u>30,830</u>
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Havana Television Cubana Network in Spanish	<u>-0-</u>
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Havana Television Service in Spanish	<u>8,870</u>
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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Santo Domingo Cadena Brea Pena in Spanish	<u>290</u>
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Santo Domingo Radio Mil Network in Spanish	<u>-0-</u>
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Santo Domingo LISTIN DIARIO in Spanish	<u>-0-</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Nationale in Creole	<u>11,730</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Nationale in French	<u>1,450</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Antilles Internationales in French	<u>-0-</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Haiti-Inter in Creole	<u>370</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Haiti-Inter in French	<u>-0-</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Lumiere Network in Creole	<u>-0-</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Metropole in Creole	<u>3,660</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Metropole in French	<u>22,860</u>	
Port-au-Prince Radio Soleil in Creole	<u>22,990</u>	
Port-au-Prince LE NOUVELLISTE in French		<u>-0-</u>
JAMAICA		
Kingston Domestic Service in English	<u>2,860</u>	
Kingston DAILY GLEANER in English		<u>-0-</u>
Kingston SUNDAY GLEANER in English		<u>-0-</u>
MEXICO		
Mexico City NOTIMEX in Spanish		<u>4,240</u>
NETHERLANDS ANTILLES		
Bonaire Trans World Radio in English	<u>1,300</u>	
THE NETHERLANDS		
Hilversum International Service in English		<u>-0-</u>
SURINAME		
Paramaribo International Service in English	<u>7,160</u>	
OTHER SOURCES: None.		